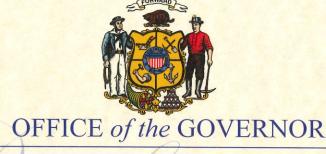
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WHEREAS; ensuring the health and safety of all Wisconsinites is a priority for our state, and we recognize that our growth and strength as a state depends greatly on the safety and economic value of our homes, buildings, and infrastructure, both in everyday life and when disasters strike; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin has long been committed to being a leader in designing, constructing, and maintaining safe buildings where all people can live, learn, work, grow, heal, worship, and visit; and

WHEREAS; created and implemented by the International Code Council, the International Codes are the most widely adopted building safety, energy, and fire prevention codes nationwide, and include important safeguards to protect folks from hazards such as snowstorms, tornadoes, wildfires, hurricanes, earthquakes, and floods; and

WHEREAS; we appreciate the contributions of the dedicated building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, design professionals, laborers, plumbers, and others in the trades and construction industry who make up the International Code Council and who work tirelessly to ensure the safe construction of buildings and overall public safety; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, we are reminded of the critical role of the largely unsung protectors of public safety in our communities—our local code officials—who assure us of the safety, efficiency, and livability of buildings throughout our state; and

WHEREAS; the theme of this year's Building Safety Month, "Safety for All: Building Codes in Action," encourages all Wisconsinites to increase their understanding of safe and sustainable construction, disaster mitigation, energy conservation, and water conservation and quality, as well as career opportunities in building safety; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to improving safety, resilience, and economic investment in our buildings, and joins all Wisconsinites in acknowledging the essential services provided by village, town, city, county, Tribal, state, and federal code officials that ensure structures throughout our state are safe and sound;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 2022 as

## **BUILDING SAFETY MONTH**

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2022.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Douglas LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State